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For reasons set forth below, it is respectfully requested that the PTO file for this application be promptly forwarded to Examiner Chau M. Nguyen, for confirmation that the references listed on PTO-1449 attached to the Information Disclosure Statement filed March 29, 2004 have been considered.

On March 29, 2004, Applicant filed an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) with PTO-1449 form (3 pages) attached, listing the references submitted for consideration. Copies of the cited references were also included. This IDS was received at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on March 29, 2004 as shown on the returned, date-stamped postcard, copy

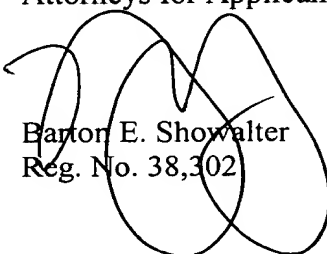
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of which is attached. For the convenience of the Examiner, a copy of the Information Disclosure Statement filed March 29, 2004 is enclosed.

A final Office Action for this application was mailed on August 10, 2004. However, Examiner Nguyen has not returned a copy of the PTO-1449 form indicating consideration of the references cited in the Information Disclosure Statement filed March 29, 2004.

Accordingly, **Applicant hereby requests confirmation of consideration of the previously filed Information Disclosure Statement.** Examiner Nguyen is requested to initial the references listed on the PTO-1449 form to show that they were appropriately considered during examination of this Application. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment, or to charge any additional fee required by this paper, to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of Baker Botts L.L.P.

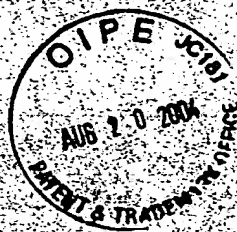
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